UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

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THE HIPSAVER COMPANY, INC.,) Civil Action No. 05-10917 PBS
Plaintiff,	
v.	
J.T. POSEY COMPANY,)
Defendant.	
AND RELATED COUNTERCLAIM.	

STATEMENT OF UNCONTROVERTED FACTS IN SUPPORT OF J.T. POSEY COMPANY'S (1) MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT ON THE CLAIMS OF THE HIPSAVER COMPANY, INC.; AND (2) MOTION FOR PARTIAL SUMMARY JUDGMENT ON COUNT I OF POSEY'S COUNTERCLAIMS

Defendant and Counterclaimant J.T. Posey Company Inc. ("Posey") submits the following statement of uncontroverted facts in support of (1) its motion for summary judgment on the claims of The HipSaver Company, Inc.; and (2) its motion for partial summary judgment on its counterclaims against Plaintiff and Counterdefendant The HipSaver Company, Inc. ("HipSaver") and Counterdefendant Edward Goodwin ("Goodwin"):

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2. HipSaver is a Massachusetts corporation that	Admitted. FAC, ¶ 1.
makes and sells hip protectors under the name	
"HipSaver."	
3. Edward L. Goodwin is HipSaver's president.	Admitted. Goodwin Depo.,
	Vol. 1, 15:12-16.
4. Posey and HipSaver are competitors in the hip	Admitted. FAC, ¶ 6.
protector market.	
5. A hip protector is generally a protective device that	Lewis Decl., ¶ 3.
covers the hip and is intended to help prevent hip	
fractures in elderly persons caused by falls.	
6. Hip protectors may be entirely soft, entirely hard	Lewis Decl., ¶ 4.
comprising a shield, or a combination of both hard and	
soft materials.	
7. Both HipSaver and Posey currently manufacture	Lewis Decl., ¶ 4; Goodwin
and sell entirely soft hip protectors.	Depo., Vol. 1, 15:17-20 and
	22:9-11.
8. In 2001, Posey hired Garwood Laboratories, Inc.,	Lewis Decl., ¶ 5.
an independent testing company, to conduct some	
impact testing on some foam materials.	
9. Posey picked one of the materials Garwood tested	Lewis Decl., ¶ 5.
and began using it to make the pads that go into its hip	
protectors.	

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10. In late-2001, Posey began disseminating	Lewis Decl., ¶ 6.
advertising materials that made reference to the	
Garwood testing.	
11. These materials included product catalogs, product	Lewis Decl., ¶ 7.
flyers and brochures that Posey distributed at trade	
shows and sent to people who requested information	
on its "Hipster" hip protectors.	
12. Posey's advertising materials that made reference	Lewis Decl., ¶ 8.
to the Garwood testing were disseminated continually	
from late 2001 until 2005.	
13. HipSaver's president, Goodwin, learned at least as	Goodwin Depo., Vol. 1, at 43:5
early as 2002 that Posey was using the results of the	
Garwood testing in its advertising.	
14. Goodwin also wrote but apparently did not send a	Goodwin Depo., Vol. 2, at
letter to Posey complaining about the Garwood	135:19-136:5.
testing.	
15. In approximately late-2003 or early 2004, Posey	Morseburg Decl., ¶ 2; Posey
disseminated some advertising that made reference to	Decl., ¶ 3.
some testing results that were reported in a so-called	
"White Paper."	
16. The white paper had been written by a UCLA	Morseburg Decl., ¶ 2; Posey
graduate student named Bimal Gandhi regarding some	Decl., ¶ 3.

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testing on hip protector materials he had preformed in	
connection with his master's thesis.	
17. The gist of HipSaver's complaint in Posey I was	Morseburg Decl., ¶ 4; Exh. 1.
that Posey was using false and misleading advertising	
in an effort to drive HipSaver from business.	
18. In connection with its claims in Posey I, HipSaver	Morseburg Decl., ¶ 4; Exh. 1.
sought, among other things, damages and preliminary	
and permanent injunctive relief preventing Posey from	
publishing any statements that made reference to the	
superiority of its hip protection products over	
HipSaver's hip protection products.	
19. On or about July 19, 2004, Posey answered the	Morseburg Decl., ¶ 5; Exh. 2.
complaint and counterclaimed against HipSaver for	
violations of the Lanham Act and unfair and deceptive	
business practices.	
20. As part of the settlement, the parties' claims and	Morseburg Decl., ¶ 6.
counterclaims were also dismissed with prejudice.	
21. When the parties settled Posey I, they intended	Posey Decl., ¶ 4.
that, in the absence of any material changes in the	
facts or circumstances that existed at the time, the	
settlement would permit the continued publication and	
dissemination by each of them of advertisements and	

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commercial statements that had been published and	
disseminated in hard copy or electronically prior to the	
execution of the Settlement Agreement. They also	
intended that claims by either of them against the other	
based upon the re-publication or dissemination of	
advertisements or commercial statements that were the	
same as, or substantially similar to, any such earlier	
statements would be barred.	
22. Within months after dismissing Posey I, HipSaver	Morseburg Decl., ¶ 7; Exh. 4.
wrote to Posey and demanded that it stop	
disseminating advertising that made reference to the	
Garwood testing on the grounds that the advertising	
was false and misleading.	
23. The gravamen of HipSaver's complaint in this case	Morseburg Decl., ¶ 8; see
is exactly the same as it was in Posey I, which is that	generally FAC, at p. 1 (Docket
Posey is using false and misleading advertising in an	No. 66).
effort to drive HipSaver from business.	
24. In response to HipSaver's letter Posey	Lewis Decl., ¶ 9; compare
subsequently revised the "Garwood language" in its	Exhs. 19, 20, 21 and 22 with
advertisements in May 2005.	Exh. 23.
25. When HipSaver objected to the revised "Garwood	Lewis Decl., ¶ 9; Exh. 24.
language," Posey stopped disseminating ads which	

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mentioned Garwood as of August 2005. In addition, it	
removed the product instructions which mentioned	
Garwood from its website.	
26. The language in the ad to which HipSaver	Lewis Decl., ¶ 6; compare
objected on May 3, 2005 which concerns the Garwood	Exhs. 19, 20 and 21 with Exh.
testing is virtually identical to the language concerning	22.
the Garwood testing that was contained in Posey	
advertisements that had been disseminated prior to the	
execution of the Settlement Agreement.	
27. Posey made a request for summary judgment early	Morseburg Decl., ¶ 8.
on in this case on the grounds that since Posey has	
been making references to the Garwood testing in	
advertising continuously since at least 2002, any	
claims against Posey based upon that advertising were	
barred by the terms of the release.	
28. On July 26, 2005, Posey answered the complaint	Morseburg Decl., ¶ 9.
and counterclaimed against HipSaver for false	
advertising under Section 43(a) of the Lanham Act,	
violations of G.L. ch.93A, § 11, common law unfair	
competition and breach of the settlement agreement.	
29. HipSaver subsequently amended its complaint to	Morseburg Decl., ¶ 10; Yates
state a claim for product disparagement. The claim is	Decl., ¶¶ 2-8 and Exhibits "A"

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based upon a single email communication from a	and "B" thereto.
former Posey employee to several individuals who	
worked at a VA hospital in Los Angeles and which	
may have been accompanied by a chart which made	
reference to the Garwood testing.	
30. During discovery, HipSaver was unable to	See Goodwin Depo., Vol. 1,
identify any damages it suffered as a consequence of	60:7-62:24, 86:21-24, 140:19-
any of the acts alleged in the Complaint.	23, 141:1-12, 148:12-152:12,
	156:2-157:5; Goodwin Depo.,
	Vol. 2, 23:2-24:6; Exh. 9
	(Suppl. Response to Interrog.
	No. 2).
31. HipSaver was also unable to identify anyone who	Goodwin Depo., Vol. 1, 86:21-
has purchased Posey's products as a consequence of	24, 137:14-20; Goodwin Depo.,
the Garwood advertising or any customers of its own	Vol. 2, 22:22-24, 23:2-24:6.
who have ever ceased buying its products as a result of	
the Garwood advertising.	
32. Posey's damages expert has concluded that	Green Decl. & Exhs. "A" &
HipSaver has suffered no damages as a consequence	"B" thereto (filed under seal).
of the Garwood advertising.	
33. Posey's marketing expert, Gary Reich, has	Morseburg Decl., ¶ 11; Exh. 27
determined that the Garwood advertising at issue	(Rule 26 Report of Reich).

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would not have affected Posey's sales.	
34. HipSaver maintains an Internet website which it	Admitted. Brogna Depo.,
uses to advertise and promote its products and to	13:17-14:2.
educate the public about its products and its	
competitors' products.	
35. The url address of HipSaver's Internet website is	Piper Decl., ¶ 2.
http://www.hipsaver.com.	
36. Goodwin approves the content of all of the	Admitted. Goodwin Depo.,
statements that are posted on HipSaver's Internet	Vol. 1, 91:8-10; Goodwin
website.	Depo., Vol. 2, 99:15-17; Brogna
	Depo., 19:20-22.
37. The "Hip Protectors & the Laundry" page of	Piper Decl., ¶ 3; Exh. 14.
HipSaver's Internet website contains a statement that	
"Only HipSaver hip protectors clearly meets [sic] the	
CDC Guidelines for infection control in the laundry".	
38. The "Hip Protectors & the Laundry" page of	Piper Decl., ¶ 3; Exh. 14;
HipSaver's Internet website also contains the	Goodwin Depo., Vol. 1, 94:1-3.
statement that "Only HipSaver [hip protectors] can be	
laundered according to the CDC (Center for Disease	
Control) Guidelines for laundry."	
39. The "Hip Protectors & the Laundry" page of	Piper Decl., ¶ 3; Exh. 14.

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HipSaver's Internet website also contains a graphic	And Hall about Collection of the Collection of t
representation that the CDC Guidelines recommend a	
"minimum" wash temperature of 160°F	
40. The "Hip Protectors & the Laundry" page of	Piper Decl., ¶ 3; Exh. 14.
HipSaver's Internet website also contains a graphic	
representation that the "wash temperature range"	
recommended by "CDC Guidelines" is between 160°F	
and a temperature "somewhere above that"	
41. The "Hip Protectors & the Laundry" page of	Piper Decl., ¶ 3; Exh. 14.
HipSaver's Internet website also contains the	
statement that Posey Hipsters are machine washable at	
temperatures of up to 160° F the "CDC guideline	
suggested minimum"	
42. The "Hip Protectors & the Laundry" page of	Piper Decl., ¶ 3; Exh. 14.
HipSaver's Internet website also contains the	
statement that the "average wash/dry temperature of	
institution laundries" is 180°F,	
43. The "Hip Protectors & the Laundry" page of	Piper Decl., ¶ 3; Exh. 14.
HipSaver's Internet website also contains the	
statement that "HipSavers [products] wash and dry up	
to 250 [degrees F] – well above the CDC guidelines"	
44. HipSaver has never conducted any testing to	Brogna Depo, at 20:16-22:11.

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determine whether its products can be laundered	1. 19
according to the CDC Guidelines.	
45. HipSaver has never conducted any testing to	Brogna Depo., at 23:6-16;
determine whether Posey's products or the products of	Goodwin Depo., Vol. 1, 96:8-
any of its other competitors can be laundered in	16, 99:18-100:18, 105:3-23.
accordance with the CDC Guidelines.	
46. Kevin Minissian, an independent expert hired by	Morseburg Decl., ¶ 12; Exhs. 25
Posey, has washed Posey's products according to the	and 26.
CDC's Guidelines. Even after 110 washings, those	
products are intact.	
47. HipSaver's Internet website permits a person	Goodwin Depo, Vol. 1, 23:22-
visiting the "Hip Protectors & the Laundry" page to	24:2, 27:19-38:8; Piper Decl., ¶
"click here" to view the "CDC Guidelines for Laundry	3; Exh 15.
in Health Care Facilities".	
48. A visitor to HipSaver's Internet website who clicks	Goodwin Depo, Vol. 1, 33:22-
at the appropriate spot to view the "CDC Guidelines	24:2, 27:19-38:8; Piper Decl., ¶
for Laundry in Health Care Facilities" is directed to a	3; Exh. 15.
document entitled "Guidelines for Laundry in Health	
Care Facilities" which is posted at	
http://www.cdc.gov/od/ohs/biosfty/laundry.htm.	
49. HipSaver's statement that the average wash	Morseburg Decl., ¶ 12; Exh. 25
temperature of institution laundries is 180°F is literally	(Minissian Rule 26 Report).

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false.	
50. With respect to the hot-water washing of soiled	Piper Decl., ¶ 3; Exh. 15.
linen, the CDC Guidelines state that "[i]f hot water is	,
used, linen should be washed with a detergent in water	
at least 71 C (160 F) for 25 minutes."	
51. The "Validation & Testing" page of HipSaver's	Piper Decl., ¶ 4; Exh. 16.
Internet website claims that HipSaver's products "are	
the only all-soft hip protectors, proven effective – in	
both independent mechanical testing and clinical	
study."	
52. The "Validation & Testing" page of HipSaver's	Piper Decl., ¶ 4; Exh. 16.
Internet website states that purchasers should choose	
HipSavers because they are the product of "proven	
testing, independent scientific validation and years of	
market success."	
53. RESERVED.	
54. One of the clinical studies HipSaver claims proves	Piper Decl., ¶ 4; Exh. 16; see
the effectiveness of its products is a clinical study by	also Exh. 28.
Dr. Jeffrey Burl, and others (the "Compliance Study")	
that commenced in September 2001.	

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55. The purpose of the Compliance Study was to	Burl Depo., 14:1-10, 22:16-19;
determine if persons at risk for hip fractures could be	Exhs. 1 and 28.
induced to wear hip protectors consistently over a	
period of time.	
56. The individuals who participated in the	Burl Depo., 14:11-14; Exh. 28.
Compliance Study wore HipSaver-brand hip	
protectors.	
57. On its Internet website, HipSaver cites the	Piper Decl., ¶ 4; Exh. 16.
Compliance Study as evidence of the effectiveness of	
its products on the grounds that "there were 126 falls	
among the HipSaver wearers and no hip fractures"	
during the duration of the study.	
58. The HipSaver website further states that this fact is	Piper Decl., ¶ 4; Exh. 16.
"equally[as] important" as the reported compliance	
rate and a "very significant" result of the study.	
59. The lead researcher on the study, Dr. Burl,	Burl Depo., 22:16-26:1.
testified that the fact there were falls but no fractures	
among HipSaver wearers during the Compliance	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Study was not "equally [as] important" as the reported	
compliance rate. He also testified that this was not	
even a statistically significant result of the study.	
60. The "Validation & Testing" page of HipSaver's	Piper Decl., ¶ 4; Exh. 16.

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Internet website states that, according to the JAMDA	
report, the compliance rate for HipSaver wearers for	
the duration of the Compliance Study was 93%.	
61. The JAMDA report does not state that the	Burl Depo., 15:21-17:19, 19:3-
compliance rate for HipSaver wearers during the	24; Exh. 28.
Compliance Study was 93%. In fact, Dr. Burl testified	
that it is not even possible to determine from the report	
the exact compliance rate of HipSaver wearers who	
completed the Compliance Study.	
62. The 93% compliance rate stated in the report is	Burl Depo., 20:8-21.
the rate of compliance for people who died during the	
study.	
63. The report of the Gross Study, conducted by the	Piper Decl., ¶ 5; Exh. 17.
Elder Service Plan of the East Boston Neighborhood	·
Health Center, was purportedly published in October	
2000 in Advance for Physical Therapists.	
64. A reprint of the Gross Study report is available on	Piper Decl., ¶ 5; Exh. 17.
HipSaver's Internet website.	
65. On its face, the Gross Study report states that it	Piper Decl., ¶ 5; Exh. 17.
was conducted over a period of 26 months.	
66. In 1998, the pads in HipSaver's hip protectors	Goodwin Depo., Vol. 1, 119:3-
were constructed of two different foams laminated	11.

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together.	
67. The pads were then encapsulated in a laminated	Goodwin Depo., Vol. 1, 119:3-
envelope.	11.
68. In 2000, HipSaver switched from a two-foam	Goodwin Depo., Vol. 2, 79:21-
laminate pad to a single-layer pad which was made	80:9, 81:20-24.
from different foam.	
69. In 2000, HipSaver also changed the overall	Goodwin Depo., Vol. 2, 79:21-
thickness of its pads.	80:4, 81:20-24.
70. In 2001, HipSaver changed the material	Goodwin Depo., Vol. 2, 75:14-
encapsulating the pads and also began attaching the	25, 80:21-81:15.
pads to the encapsulating material.	
71. HipSaver changed the thickness of its pads again	Goodwin Depo., Vol. 2, 81:16-
in 2002.	82:18.
72. HipSaver claims that its products have been	Piper Decl., ¶¶ 4, 6; Exh. 18.
proven effective in testing at Harvard University and	
that the results of this test shows that HipSaver's	
"airPad technology" offers "more than 20% more	
force reduction" than the leading hard-shell hip	
protector.	
73. The alleged testing at Harvard was performed in	Piper Decl., ¶ 6; Exh. 18.
1996.	
74. However, HipSaver's products in their present	Piper Decl., ¶ 6; Exh. 18.

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iteration did not even exist until 2002.	
75. The Tampere University testing occurred in	Piper Decl., ¶ 6; Exh. 18.
August or September 2000.	
76. HipSaver claims that the Tampere testing	Piper Decl., ¶ 6; Exh. 18.
demonstrated that its pads offer "more than 20% more	
force reduction" than the leading hard-shell hip	
protector, i.e., Safehip.	
77. The documentation regarding the Tampere	Morseburg Decl., ¶ 14.
testing, which is available on HipSaver's Internet	
website, indicates that HipSaver's product offers no	
more than 6% more force reduction than the Safehip.	

Respectfully submitted,

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